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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 31, 2006 in regard to the above-referenced application. In response thereto, Applicant offers the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1-8, 12-22, 26-36, 40-50 and 54-56 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Patent No. 6,928,653 to Ellis.

Regarding Claims 1 and 2, the Examiner refers to Figures 2 and 7-2 of Ellis which disclose an interactive electronic television program guide (EPG) with database configurability and further disclose a method and system for implementing an electronic program guide. More specifically, the Examiner asserts that Ellis discloses "partitioning a data storage area into a plurality of storage areas" by